

Announcements

AATS Annual Meeting Accreditation

The American Association for Thoracic Surgery is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American Association for Thoracic Surgery designates this educational activity for a maximum of 36.5 **AMA PRA Category 1 Credits**.TM Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Aortic Symposium 2010

April 29–30, 2010

Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers
New York, New York

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Program Overview

Aortic Symposium 2010 is a two-day symposium focused on the pathophysiology, diagnosis, and treatment of aortic aneurysms and dissections. The faculty consists of world leaders in this field who have been invited to share their experience regarding difficult problems in aortic disease.

Course Format

Aortic Symposium 2010 will primarily feature faculty presentations of original work or “state of the art reviews.” Manuscripts selected from submitted abstracts will comprise the balance of the program and be considered for publication in a supplement of the *Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery*.

Accepted presentations will be available on the Presentation on Demand (POD) System, a network of computer stations distributed throughout the meeting area that permits attendees to review PowerPoint presentations on demand.

Registration & Housing Information

To register and reserve housing, visit www.aats.org/aortic

Housing Deadline: Friday, April 12, 2010

Educational Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Analyze the natural history, evaluation, imaging, and design a management plan for the treatment of aneurysms involving the ascending, arch, and thoracoabdominal portions of the aorta.
- Identify management strategies for the evaluation, management, and treatment of aortic dissection.
- Implement surgical options for replacing or preserving the aortic valve during aortic root replacement.
- List approaches to cerebral and spinal cord protection during aneurysm surgery.
- Integrate the use of various materials for surgical treatment of aneurysm disease, including collagen impregnated grafts, composite grafts, and homografts.
- Apply endovascular approaches to thoracic aortic aneurysm disease, including hybrid surgical and endovascular procedures.

Target Audience

This course is designed to meet the educational needs of:

- Cardiovascular and Thoracic surgeons
- Residents and Fellows
- Perfusionists
- ICU and OR Nurses, Physician Assistants and others involved in the care of individuals with aortic disease

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Visit www.aats.org/aortic to learn more about Aortic Symposium 2010.

AATS Meetings and Sponsored Events

March

March 21–26, 2010

15th Annual Update on Cardiopulmonary Bypass*

Fairmont Chateau

Whistler, BC, Canada

April

April 29–30, 2010

Aortic Symposium 2010

Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers
New York City, New York, USA

May

May 1–5, 2010

AATS 90th Annual Meeting

Metro Toronto Convention Centre
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

May 30, 2010

AATS/ESTS/STS Postgraduate Course*

Feria de Valladolid
Valladolid, Spain

September

September 21–25, 2010

TCT for Surgeons*

Washington, DC

October

October 7–9, 2010

2010 Heart Valve Summit

Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile
Chicago, Illinois, USA

October 21–22, 2010

21st Century Treatment of Heart Failure 2010

The InterContinental Hotel and Bank of America Conference Center
Cleveland, Ohio, USA

*Cosponsored by AATS.

AATS Online Award Applications Now Available at www.aats.org

Deadline: July 1, 2010

Michael E. DeBakey Research Scholarship 2011–2013 provides an opportunity for research, training and experience for North American surgeons committed to pursuing an academic career in cardiothoracic surgery.

- Research program must be undertaken within the first three years after completion of an approved North American cardiothoracic residency.
- Applications for the scholarship must be submitted during the candidate's first two years in an academic position.
- The scholarship will begin July 1, 2011, and conclude on July 1, 2013.
- The Scholarship provides an annual stipend of \$80,000 per year paid to the host institution for direct salary support and related research expenses.

Deadline: July 1, 2010

Evarts A. Graham Memorial Traveling Fellowship, 2011–2012 grant supports training of international surgeons who have been regarded as having the potential for later international thoracic surgical leadership.

- Candidate must be a non-North American who plans a cardiothoracic surgery training program in a North American center and who has not had extensive (exceeding a total of six months in duration) clinical training in North America prior to making application.
- Candidate should have completed his/her formal training in general surgery and in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, but should not have reached a senior position.
- The Fellowship provides a stipend of \$75,000 US, a major portion of which is intended for travel expenses incurred when visiting other medical centers.

Deadline: July 1, 2010

The Western Thoracic Surgical Association

Applications for Membership

Applications for membership in the Association must be received by the Membership Committee Chair no later than March 1, 2010 to be considered at the 2010 Annual Meeting. Applicants must be sponsored by three members of the Association who are not members of the Membership Committee. Application forms will be issued only to sponsoring members.

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WTSA 36th Annual Meeting

June 23–26, 2010
Ojai Valley Inn
Ojai, California